

REMARKS:

Applicant has amended all drawings to comply with 37 CFR 1.84(i) and formal drawings are enclosed herewith.

**Examiner has rejected claims 1-22 and 32 under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.**

Applicant has amended claim 1 to more clearly define the invention and therefore Applicant believes that claim 1 is now in condition for allowance.

Applicant has amended claim 3 to now depend from claim 2 to provide sufficient antecedent basis for "the shell". Applicant believes claim 3 is now in condition for allowance.

Applicant has amended claim 32 to more clearly reference and identify the number of cuff's being claimed and thus believes that claim 32 is also now in condition for allowance.

**Examiner has rejected claims 6 and 17 as being unpatentable under 35 USC 101, the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.**

Applicant has amended claims 6 and 17 to remove any reference to a nose. Applicant believes any reference to non-statutory subject matter has been removed and that claims 6 and 17 are in condition for allowance.

**Examiner has allowed claims 23-31 and 33.**

Applicant wishes to thank the Examiner for allowance of claims 23-31 and 33. Applicant has accepted these claims.

**Claims 1-22 and 32 would be allowable by the Examiner is rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection under 35 USC 112 and/or 101 set forth in the Office action.**

Applicant believes amended claims 1, 3, 14, and 32 are allowable as they have been amended to comply with 35 USC 112, and that they now better define the invention.

Applicant believe amended claims 6 and 17 are allowable as they have been amended to comply with 35 USC 110, and that they now contain statutory subject matter.

Applicant believes original claims 2, 4-13, 15-22, and 33 are allowable as they now depend from claims amended to comply with 35 USC 112 and 110 as described above.

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Respectfully submitted,



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